

## Remember

With the proper training, your employees will see their surroundings in a whole new light. By learning to identify existing and potential hazards, your employees will create a safer environment at work and at home.

Encourage employees to take a fresh look at their surroundings. Recognizing existing and potential hazards and developing safe habits will help create a safer, more productive work environment.

The checklist below is general for most industries and can be used as a starting point to develop your own, specific to your working environment.

## You should always:

Shut file cabinet drawers when not in use
☐ Open one filing cabinet drawer at a time to prevent a tip-over
☐ Store heavy objects close to the floor and out of walkways
☐ Store tools, equipment and materials properly to prevent falling or sharp edges being exposed
☐ Stack materials to prevent sliding, falling or collapsing
☐ Wear the proper personal protective equipment
$\square$ Use extra caution in high traffic areas, around corners and near doorways
☐ Take regular safety walks to identify existing and potential hazards
☐ Educate your employees on reporting hazards
☐ Hold regularly scheduled safety meetings to discuss possible safety hazards and how to prevent them

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